Postojna cave is the show cave universally known from some centuries. For this reason the cave has been quoted in a number of manuscripts, reports and publications. No wonder, therefore, if in the course of time the cave was known with different names. Its location, close to political borders, resulted in another reason of changes since the territory belonged respectively to Austria, Italy and Slovenia. Once again Trevor Shaw produced another book in the framework of the history of speleology. If I am allowed to make a comparison he, as an expert “truffle dog”, explored archive, libraries, files and retrieved a number of detailed pieces of information on the name of the cave itself and its main features during the last centuries.

This book is a precious contribution to the knowledge of the history of the Postojna Cave and should find a place in the library of any person interested to this argument for 16 €.

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